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Middlebury Congregational Church

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## Welcome to Worship

To keep up with what's going on here at MCC, you can visit our website (middleburyucc.org), like us on Facebook, follow us on Instagram (@middleburycongregational), and subscribe to our YouTube Channel.

#### Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs in the Narthex/entrance of the sanctuary. Accessible, single person restrooms, equipped with changing tables, are located on the Upper Level and may be easily accessed using the elevator. The elevator entrance is located through the exit door in the front of the sanctuary on the left. Please ask an usher for directions/assistance.

# Sunday School & Nursery Childcare

Children are always welcome in worship. During the school year, Sunday School is available during worship for PreK-7<sup>th</sup> grade. School age children will begin Sunday in worship before heading out together with their teachers in the beginning part of worship. The first Sundays of the month are Communion and Family Sunday and Sunday School will not be in session. Staffed childcare for infants through preschoolers is available in the Nursery throughout the year, which is in the upper level Sunday School. If you need assistance, please ask an usher. For more info about Sunday School and childcare, contact the Church Office: office@middeleburyucc.org

#### For More Info

For more information about the church, to sign up for our newsletter please email: (office@middleburyucc.org)

## Communion

Communion is celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and is open to all, including children, who wish to grow in faith in Jesus Christ. Communion is served in the pews.

## This Service is Being Livestreamed

If you do not want to appear in the video please choose a pew downstairs in the back 5 rows.

# **Hearing Assistance**

We have headphones to assist you in hearing the service. Please let an usher know, and they will set you up with a pair.



#### **Soup Kitchen Contribution**

November's monthly food contribution to the GWIM Soup Kitchen is Canned Chicken and any Canned Vegetables.

#### Harvest Sunday – November 23<sup>rd</sup>

Harvest Sunday is a beautiful tradition where we share the bounty of the season with those in need. This year, the **Middlebury Food Bank** is requesting potatoes, carrots, onions, celery, sweet potatoes, and apples.

Please bring your fresh produce to church and place it on the **Harvest Table** in front of the podium. Together, we can make a meaningful contribution to local families for Thanksgiving.

#### Thanksgiving Baskets – Due November 23<sup>rd</sup>

Once again, we will be assembling **Thanksgiving Baskets** to provide a full holiday meal for families in Middlebury who could use a helping hand. If you'd like to donate an item, please sign up on the **bulletin board by the kitchen**. Your generosity brings warmth and comfort to these families during the holiday season.

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#### **MCC Merchandise**

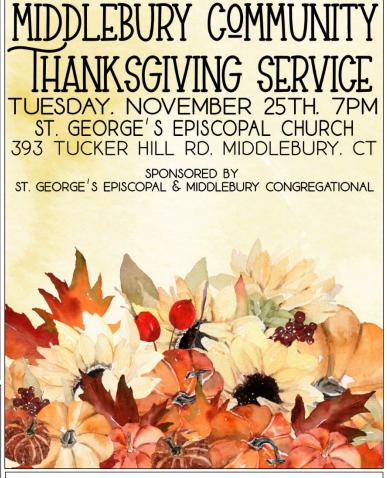
We've set up a store on Bonfire to sell church merchandise. The products are printed as they're sold, and MCC gets a small cut of all the sales. If there is some MCC thing that you're looking for, odds are we can make that happen. You can look at what we've got up so far: <a href="https://www.bonfire.com/store/middlebury-congregational-church/">https://www.bonfire.com/store/middlebury-congregational-church/</a> or you can scan the QR code:



# Christmas Pageant 2025

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10 AM

- Snow Day: December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at 10 AM
- Rehearsal on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10 AM to 12 PM.
- Volunteers needed
- · Sign up for roles in the social hall
- Accepting donations of neutral/Christmas fabrics and burlap or money



# Yoga at MCC!

What: Vinyasa Yoga for all fitness levels

Where: Our Social Hall When: Mondays @ 5:30 p.m. Why: Join us and RELAX!

**How:** Bring a mat and blocks. Bolster, water bottle, strap and blanket are optional. Please dress to move.

# **Interested in Joining the Church?**

We are looking to potentially receive new members this fall. If you are interested in joining the church or learning more about MCC, please contact Pastor Katrina (kmanzi@middleburyucc.org).